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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121

Applicant hereby elects Invention I, namely claims 1-10, 12 and 14-17 drawn to a fiber mixing device positioned upstream of a forming head having first and second rotors that are substantially orthogonal to gaseous flow.

Applicant respectfully traverses the requirement. Claims 1-10, 12 and 14-17 are directed to the same combination as claim 13. Both claims 1-10, 12 and 14-17 require a forming wire, a suction box, a duct and a fiber mixing device. Applicant respectfully requests examination of all claims in view of the fact that each subcombination is used for mixing fibers in a gaseous flow to form a strip-shaped fibrous article. Further, as a single search can be performed to consider all aspects of the invention, consideration of all claims is believed to be proper.

Favorable consideration on the merits is requested.

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